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Federal Communications Commission
c/o Marlene Dortch, Secretary
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, D.C. 20554

WT 11-65: In the Matter of Applications of AT&T Inc. and Deutsche Telekom AG for Consent to Assign or Transfer Control of Licenses and Authorizations

Dear Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners:

Greene County, Pennsylvania, a heavily rural area of the Commonwealth, is constantly supporting initiatives to bring technological advancements or greater wireless connections to our communities. Bordering the scenic state of West Virginia, our rural citizens would not give up the majestic beauty of Greene County for anything. Unfortunately, our relative isolation puts us in a difficult position when it comes to reaching out to friends, relatives, hospitals, schools, and other institutions throughout the United States.

The potential merger between T-Mobile USA and AT&T will bring wireless broadband to more than 97 percent of the United States. Rural areas such as Greene County will have access to this mobile service and will be able to benefit from all of these technological advancements. Our schools and health care providers could use this high-speed connection to hook up with more advanced institutions throughout the state and nation. Small businesses located in the county could also use this wireless access to market themselves to more populated areas.

This merger is bound to make our local businesses and institutions more efficient and economically prosperous. To deny us this privilege would be continuing the tradition of leaving local communities in the dark. I ask that you seize this opportunity to deliver fast, reliable, wireless broadband to our great county. I trust you will make the right decision and support this potential merger. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

*Pam Snyder, Chairman,
Greene County Board of Commissioners*

CC: Chairman Julius Genachowski, Commissioner Mignon Clyburn, Commissioner Michael Copps,
Commissioner Robert McDowell